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Box II Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)

This International Search Report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons

- 1 ☐ Claims Nos
because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority namely
- 2 ☐ Claims Nos
because they relate to parts of the International Application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful International Search can be carried out, specifically
- 3 ☐ Claims Nos
because they are dependent claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6 4(a)

Box III Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 3 of first sheet)

This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows

see additional sheet

- 1 ☐ As all required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this International Search Report covers all
searchable claims
- 2 ☐ As all searchable claims could be searched without effort justifying an additional fee, this Authority did not invite payment of any additional fee
- 3 ☐ As only some of the required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this International Search Report
covers only the claims for which fees were paid. Specifically, claims Nos
- 4 ☒ No required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant. Consequently, this International Search Report is restricted to the invention first mentioned in the claims it is covered by claims Nos

4,119, 20 (completely) ; 1-3,5-7,68,70-84,86,87,118,121-125,127-135,153-158
163-166 (partially)

Remark on Protest

- ☐ The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest
- ☐ No protest accompanied the payment of additional search fees

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This International Searching Authority found multiple (groups of) inventions in this international application, as follows:

Invention 1: claim 4, 119 and 120 completely, and claim 1-3, 5-7, 68, 70-84, 86, 87, 118, 121-125, 127-135, 153-158, and 163-166 partially

A perhydrolase protein comprising the sequence represented in SEQ.ID.2, nucleic acids encoding it, and composition comprising it.

Inventions 2-188: claims 13, 5-87, 104-118, and 121-166, all partially and as far as applicable

Subject-matter essentially as defined for invention 1, but limited to mutants of SEQ.ID.2 at respectively positions 1-8, 10-80, 82-87, 89, 90, 92, 123-130, 132, 133, 135, 136, 138, 140-143, 145-151, 153, 154, 157, 159, 161, 162, 164-168, 170-172, 175, 176, 178, 182-186, 188, 190-194, 196-199, 201-203, 205, 206 and 208-216.

Invention 189: claims 88-103 completely

Method for identifying a perhydrolase, proteins identified thereby, and nucleic acids encoding them.

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